

**SPECIAL PARK BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 2015**

Chair Craig Kittel called the Park Board meeting to order at 8:15 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 2015. This meeting was held at Citizens Field.

Members Present: Jon Hailey, Joe Ard, Craig Kittel, Tania Strawn, and Brian Schroeder

Members Absent: Frank Norton

Others Present: Dan Hansen, Garrett Masloski, Regina Stary, Chantal Cosgrove, Neil Cosgrove, Mark Jackelen, Michael Haugen, Ryan Stephens, Mike Darrow, and Jeremiah Wendt

Joe Ard moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by Jon Hailey, motion carried.

New Business

Citizens Field Scoreboard Location:

Jeremiah Wendt explained the three locations that were marked on the ground. There was discussion on visibility. Joe Ard moved to place the scoreboard by the RCU sign, in left center field, seconded by Jon Hailey.

Comments from public:

- Didn't want the sign located at the ball field at all and would proceed with court action to get his way
- Question was asked what the purpose was for a new sign and what is the long range objective of having a new sign? Look at what would be most effective for the existing use of the field.

Question called, motion carried.

Citizens Field Scoreboard/Bathroom Budget Update:

Jeremiah stated the bathroom project is completed, this ran a little over budget, but way under budget on the Hatfield Campground project. These numbers will be brought back to the board at the next meeting.

John Soderberg Tree Donation:

John Soderberg had talked to Jeremiah about donating some trees to be planted in the Pine Bluff area. John would like 6-7 foot evergreens planted. There was discussion on a detailed plan, and how is this area accessed. The Board directed Jeremiah to collect more information and bring it back to the Board for consideration.

Announcements:

The next meeting will be June 24th with park tour at 5:30 and returning to City Hall for the regular meeting.

Additional Public Comments:

The work that has been done on this field is phenomenal, this park is a jewel. There was comment on the size of the scoreboard. There was question on if the sign could be modified. The new sign will be LED. Ryan Stephens stated this scoreboard will add elegance to this field. He added that he has been playing on this field since he was 13 years old. River Falls built their field based on the design that we currently have and their scoreboard is larger than the one that we are putting in.

Mike Darrow commented one way a community can get involved with their ideas is attend the meeting when the Park Plan gets amended. Share your ideas with Park Board members. Under the City ordinance the scoreboard is permitted. The donations need to be approved by the City Council Wednesday evening (May 27).

Jon Hailey moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Joe Ard, motion carried.

The meeting of the Park Board was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Minutes Submitted by
Marie Bannink
City Secretary